DRAFT MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

The following proposed project has been reviewed, pursuant to the provisions of Resolution No. 3231, as amended, of the City Council of the City of Fremont for the purpose of determining the likelihood of a significant adverse environmental impact occurring as a result of project completion.

NAME OF PROJECT: Fremont Boulevard Widening

PROJECT NO.: PWC8661

DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT: The proposed Fremont Boulevard Widening Project includes the widening of the western side of Fremont Boulevard, along portions of an approximately 3,000-foot road segment between Landing Parkway and West Warren Avenue and the addition of a raised concrete median island on Fremont Boulevard between Cushing Parkway and Landing Parkway. The proposed project would widen the roadways and associated improvements up to 25 feet to the west to add one vehicle lane, resulting in four lanes total (two northbound and two southbound), add Class II bike lanes in both the northbound and southbound directions, and add sidewalk, curb, gutter, street trees, tree well filters, and street lighting along the west side of the roadway. The project will include construction of sidewalk on the overpass spanning Alameda County Flood Control District Line F and the extension of a private drainage channel culvert by 25 feet.

LOCATION OF PROJECT: Fremont Boulevard between Cushing Parkway and West Warren Avenue, Fremont, CA

GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION WITHIN CITY: Bayside Industrial Community Plan Area

NAME OF AUTHORIZED AGENT OF APPLICANT: City of Fremont Engineering Department (attn.: Mirabel Aguilar, (510) 494-4761, maguilar@fremont.gov)

MAILING ADDRESS OF APPLICANT/AGENT: 39550 Liberty Street, P.O. Box 5006, Fremont, CA 94538

TYPE OF ENTITLEMENT(S) SOUGHT: City Capital Improvement Project

EXPLANATION OF REASONS FOR THE FINDING: A finding is proposed that this project will not have a significant effect on the environment. The project is an infill development that is consistent with the General Plan land use designation for the subject property. Furthermore, the project includes specific mitigation measures which address potentially-significant impacts to air quality from dust generation during construction, to cultural resources during grading activities or site disturbance, and to biological resources (specifically Western Pond Turtle, Burrowing Owls, Saltmarsh Common Yellowthroat, Alameda Song Sparrow, and Breeding Birds, Saltmarsh Harvest Mouse, and Wetlands and Waters of the United States).

Public Hearing: No public hearing is required for this project. All environmental documents are available for review by the public at the Planning Division office located at 39550 Liberty Street, Fremont, CA 94538 and online at: http://www.fremont.gov/430/Environmental-Review.

Any comments as to whether the Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration should become final or whether an EIR should be prepared for the project must be submitted within 30 days of the posting of this Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration. **The comment period begins March 12, 2015 and ends April 13, 2014.**

If this Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration becomes final by any approval agency other than the City Council, any person who wishes to protest such final action must do so within ten days of the date it becomes final by the filing of a written protest with the City Clerk and by payment of the required protest fee. If this Draft Mitigated Negative

Declaration becomes final by City Council action, any person who disagrees with Council action may seek judicial review.

Posted within the Development Services Center on March 12, 2015.

Notice of Determination to be sent to:

[X] Posting of Notice
[X] County Clerk
[X] Mailed to owners of contiguous property
[X] Clearinghouse
[X] Publish notice

IF THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS, PLEASE CONTACT:

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